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SUBJ: VISIT BY INTERNATIONAL SOLAR COMMERCIALIZATION WORKING GROUP

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1. TURKEY HAS GOOD POTENTIAL FOR SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATIONS.

ALTHOUGH THERE IS NOT YET A TURKISH SOLAR ENERGY APPLICATION POLICY, DURING RECENT YEARS, PARTICULARLY AS A CONSEQUENCE OF THE ENERGY CRISIS AND TURKEY'S ECONOMIC DIFFICULTIES, UTILIZATION OF SOLAR ENERGY HAS BECOME A FREQUENTLY DISCUSSED SUBJECT. IT IS EXPECTED THAT PROVISIONS WILL BE INCLUDED IN TURKEY'S FOURTH FIVE - YEAR DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR 1978 - 1982 (UNDER PREPARATION) FOR THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF RESEARCH AND COMMERCIALIZATION OF SOLAR ENERGY.

2. THE DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY OF THE TURKISH MINISTRY OF ENERGY AND NATURAL RESOURCES IS ACTIVELY PROMOTING RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT OF SOLAR ENERGY UTILIZATION SYSTEMS AT TURKEY'S MINERAL RESEARCH AND EXPLORATION AGENCY (MTA), ANKARA; THE MIDDLE EAST TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY (METU), ANKARA; AND THE FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE OF THE ANKARA UNIVERSITY. OTHER INSTITUTIONS INVOLVED ARE THE ISTANBUL TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY, ISTANBUL; THE AEGEAN UNIVERSTIY, IZMIR; AND THE TURKISH SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL

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RESEARCH ASSOCIATION (TUBITAK), ANKARA. A PRIVATE ORGANIZATION WHICH HAS RECENTLY BEEN ESTABLISHED IN THIS FILED IS THE TURKISH SOLAR ENERGY RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT FOUNDATION IN ISTANBUL. RESULTS OF THIS RESEARCH HAVE BEEN COMMERCIALIZED TO A LIMITED EXTENT, HOWEVER, MOSTLY IN THE PRODUCTION AND INSTALLATION OF SOLAR WATER HEATING SYSTEMS AND SOME AGRICULTURAL APPLICATIONS.

3. EMBASSY BELIEVES FOLLOWING WOULD BE MOST USEFUL ANKARA CONTACTS FOR ISCGW:

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DEMETEVLER, ANKARA, TURKEY.

4. EMBASSY WILL BE GLAD TO MAKE APPROPRIATE ARRANEMENTS FOR
ISCGW VISIT, INCLUDING FOR INTERPRETER AND FIRM
APPOINTMENTS. EMBASSY CONTACT OFFICER WILL BE COMMERCIAL
ATTACHE JACK M. CARLE.

5. EMBASSY ALSO INVITES ISCGW ATTENTION TO STUDY OF TURKEY'S
ENERGY SITUATION RECENTLY DONE BY DOE ITSELF (DOE FILE FSE
1.1). THIS STUDY INCLUDES COMPLETE SECTION ON STATE OF THE
SOLAR ENERGY ART IN TURKEY. DILLON

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